

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 33 of the First Extraordinary Session
By Jackson

A RESOLUTION to honor Mr. C. Douglas Cluck on the occasion
of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should recognize those illustrious citizens, who in their years of work, have performed with extraordinary dedication and unprecedented devotion; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cluck is one such outstanding person who has served with alacrity and acuity for 37 years with the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, shortly after graduating from Middle Tennessee State University in 1959, Douglas Cluck first entered the Department of Correction in the Division of Juvenile Probation as a probation officer in 1962, beginning a long and esteemed career that would last until 1999; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cluck fulfilled his patriotic duty by honorably serving his country in the U.S. Army R.O.T.C., through which he was commissioned a second lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, he also actively served in the Adjutant General Corps as a personnel officer at Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indiana before retiring from the USAR with the esteemed rank of Captain; and

WHEREAS, a year after earning his Master's degree in 1963, Mr. Cluck received his first of many promotions when he was appointed Director of Education Services for the Division of Youth Services; and

WHEREAS, while honorably serving in this position, Douglas notably supervised the integration of the racially segregated juvenile institutions in 1964; and

WHEREAS, a year later, Mr. Cluck was promoted to the laudable position of Director of Education for the Department of Correction, adult and juvenile institutions; and

WHEREAS, in 1968, Douglas was transferred to serve as District Director of Juvenile Probation in Murfreesboro, where he supervised juvenile officers in 26 counties in Middle Tennessee, along with field offices in Nashville, Columbia, and Springfield; and

WHEREAS, in 1971, he was promoted to Director of Planning; in this estimable position, Douglas co-developed the Regional Prison Plan for Governor Winfield Dunn with members of the TLEPA and the Department of Finance and Administration; and

WHEREAS, recognizing his good, solid work on the Regional Prison Plan, Governor Dunn appointed Douglas Cluck as the Assistant Commissioner of Youth Services in 1972; and

WHEREAS, after earning a J.D. degree, he had the great distinction of being the Department of Correction's first staff attorney in 1973; and

WHEREAS, as Supervisor of the Murfreesboro Field Office in 1985, Mr. Cluck participated in statewide projects, such as policy development, inspection teams, authored the manual for pre-sentence reports for judge sentencing and the *Juvenile Social History Manual*, in addition to serving on the legislation working group for the Division of Adult and Juvenile Field Services; and

WHEREAS, in 1989, Mr. Cluck was deservedly promoted to the position of Regional Director, an important post in which he oversaw the Mid-Cumberland Region, the Board of Paroles, and the Division of Field Services; and

WHEREAS, as Director of Paroles, Douglas Cluck has the responsibility of supervising the statewide system of regional and field offices with a staff of 300 officers; he has held this prestigious post since 1993; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cluck is an active and vital part of his profession, participating in numerous professional organizations, including the Tennessee Bar Association and the Tennessee Correction Association, of which he stalwartly served as a past president and executive director; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cluck fulfilled his patriotic duty by honorably serving his country in the U.S. Army R.O.T.C., through which he was commissioned as a second lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, he also actively served in the Adjutant General Corps as a personnel officer at Fort Benjamin in Harrison, Indiana before retiring from the USAR with the esteemed rank of Captain; and

WHEREAS, Douglas Cluck also takes time from a very busy schedule to faithfully worship the Lord as an active and devout member of the First Baptist Church in Dickson; and

WHEREAS, Douglas Cluck's meritorious service with the Tennessee Department of Correction has been recognized several times; he was the worthy recipient of the Distinguished Service Award T.C.A. in 1988, the Charles Traughber Outstanding Service in Corrections in 1989, and the Parole Professional of the Year in 1995; and

WHEREAS, his many awards and accomplishments aside, Mr. Cluck is most appreciative of the love and support he receives from his loving wife, Janet Cordell Cluck, and his two children, Cindy Hall and Steve Cluck; and

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we extend to C. Douglas Cluck our best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and continued success in his future endeavors and salute his praiseworthy service to the State of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.